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ODP has scheduled the conversion of the AG/Research Branch PASKEY System for March of 1983. This system is a data base of Chinese, Soviet, and Korean authoritative statements that was developed for AG using the NIPS DBMS. ODP is phasing out the NIPS software and plans to use the GIMS DBMS software for the new PASKEY system.

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ORD is sponsoring a briefing on high-speed text-search technology on 26 August. This will be an excellent opportunity for FBIS personnel to receive up-to-date information on this technology and its potential application in FBIS.

WANG word processors will be procured under FY 1982 funds for Analysis Group (2-stations), Field Coverage Staff (1-station), Joint Publications Research Service (2-stations), and London Bureau (1-station). Delivery is scheduled for the November/December time frame.

[] of Systems Coordination Branch (SCB); []
 [] Chief of the Translation Services Staff (TSS); and []
 the ODP project leader for the Automated Consolidated Translations System (ACTS), attended a joint FBIS-ODP Technical Exchange Meeting (TEM) to discuss the development of the ACTS. The following items were of interest:

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ACTS requirements and schedule will be baselined and placed under the control of the ODP Configuration Control Board (CCB). In the future, all changes to the requirements or schedule must be formally justified and presented to the CCB. The Chief, SCB will represent FBIS interests at the CCB.

TSS plans to begin ACTS acceptance testing in late September and to formally accept the system by mid November.

Due to the size of the ACTS Master File (approximately 450,000 records) security locks will be used to prohibit sequential queries against the file. All queries will be entered using a menu facility and directed to predefined indexes.

SCB will be given access to the ACTS Development Data Base to preform some preliminary testing and benchmarks.

The second phase of ACTS (Release II) will include a key word and enhanced query capability and the generation of statistical reports. This phase, whose development is overlapped with the initial phase, is scheduled to enter production in March 1983.

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